I	2	3	4	5	6	7
40.	Vindhyan	VN-ONN-2005/1	12	B	3776	32x32
41.		VN-ONN-2005/2*	13	B	4908	32x32
42.	Rajasthan	RJ-ONN-2005/1	14	A	1424	32x32
43.		RJ-ONN-2005/2	15	A	1517	32x32
44.		RJ-ONN-2005/3	16	A	1217	32x32
45.	Cambay	CB-ONN-2005/1	17	S	61	•
46.		CB-ONN-2005/2	18-A & B		S	81
47.		CB-ONN-2005/3	19	S	48	-
48.		CB-ONN-2005/4	20	S	31	-
49.		CB-ONN-2005/5	21	S	83	•
50.		CB-ONN-2005/6	22	S	102	4x4
51.		CB-ONN-2005/7	23	S	199	-
52.		CB-ONN-2005/8	24	S	133	4x4
53.		CB-ONN-2005/9	25	S	170	-
54.		CB-ONN-2005/10	26	A	270	-
55.		CB-ONN-2005/11	27	A	257	-
56.	Palar	PR-ONN-2005/1	28	B	1807	16x16
57.	Cauvery	CY-ONN-2005/1	5	A	946	-

•Frontier Block
Sl. No. 45-53 are Type-S Blocks.

Shortage of LPG in Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand

1959. SHRI KAMAL AKHTAR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the monthly demand of LPG cylinders and the quantity supplied by oil companies during the last three years in Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand, year-wise and month-wise;

whether Government is aware of severe LPG shortage in Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand;

if so, the reasons therefor;

the details of the steps Government has taken to restore normal supply of LPG cylinders in these States; and

by when the shortage of LPG cylinders would be over?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA J. PATEL): (a) to (e) Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have reported that they have supplied 1050,1039,1107,1071 Thousand Metric Tonnes (TMT) and 124,125,131 & 127TMTofLPG in the States of Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand during

the years 2004-2005,2005-06, 2006-07 and for the period April, 2007 to February, 2008, respectively.

The month-wise details are available with the Directors (Marketing) of the concerned OMCs.

OMCs have also reported that at present, there is no overall shortage of LPG in the country includi.it; in the States of Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand and LPG supplies to distributors are being made by the OMCs through indigenous production and imports in accordance with the genuine demand of customers registered with the LPG distributors.

However, OMCs had reported backlog in LPG supplies in certain States in the country due to reduction in supply of bulk LPG by Reliance Industries Limited (RIL) & Essar Oil Limited in January and February 2008, delay in movement of bulk LPG by rail from Jamnagar to the Northern Region, increased demand in the States due to severe cold which resulted in panic booking by the customers, strikes by contract labour, agitational activities, delays in berthing of vessels at Haldia Port due to reduced draft, bandhs etc.

Government has advised OMCs to liquidate the backlog in the States by operating the bottling plants on holidays and during extended hours. Increased bottling is also being done during the working days for early clearance of backlog.

Scarcity of LPG

1960. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL:
SHRI MAHENDRA MOHAN:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

whether there is a severe scarcity of LPG in the country causing abnormal delays in delivery of cylinders to consumers;

if so, the details of total production, demand and actual supply of LPG in States/ Union Territories for the last two years, till date;

whether Government is also aware of hoarding and black marketing of LPG including supply of defective LPG cylinders by certain oil marketing companies;

if so, reasons therefor; and

(e) whether Government have issued any directives/instructions to Oil Marketing Companies in this regard, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA J. PATEL): (a) Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have reported that at present, there is no overall shortage of LPG in the country and LPG supplies to distributors are being made by the OMCs through indigenous production and imports in accordance with the genuine demand of customers registered with the LPG distributors. OMCs have further reported that they have supplied 8450 TMT (Thousand Metric Tonnes) of domestic LPG in the country during the period April, 2007-January, 2008 as against 8030 TMT during the corresponding period of last year, showing a growth of 5.2%.